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NOT the Vanity of appearing in Print, but the necessity of self *Vindication*, hath obliged Dr. *Jaque*, thus publickly to take notice of a late Scurrilous Pamphlet Entitled Mr. *Kirkwood's* *Plea before the Kirk and Civil Judicature of Scotland*. The like of which (all things being considered) was never Written in any Language, by any Perswasion, being both *Prophane*, *Blasphemous*, and *Obscene*: He is in the whole Proces of his book instigated, not only by an Unchristian, but an Ungenerous Inhumane and Sordid Spirit, which doth so highly ferment his Gall, that he is at length, forc't to spew it out, tho' to the defiling the Personages, and Charecters, of the most Reverend, Pious, Learned and Judicious, Members, and Judicatures of this Renowned and Reformed Church, which will notwithstanding all his false Suggestions, be living Witnesses against his malicious Calumnies; And so very inconsistent is the Crazy-Headed Pamphleteer, with himself, that even what he so Satyrically inveighs against in others, *viz.* An endeavour to ruin his Reputation and Fame, he makes his own Practice, and that most Cowardly and Invidiously, stabbing as it were under the fifth Rib, without giving a fair Challenge for self Defence; this was often allow'd him, as he evidenceth by the many Instruments he took in the presence of the severall Judicatures, before whom his cause was heard, and Witnesses Examined on the matter; He had fair play according to the Discipline of the Church, but allows not the least Umbrage of the like

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to another, but takes false and malicious report, as a sufficient evidence and ground to vent his Reproaches, and endeavours himself to aggravate the matter, with his Pedantick Rhetorick, and even racks his shallow Wits, to find words sufficiently Emphatical, Hyperbolically to express the Hainousness, of the Imaginary Crime conceiv'd in the *Vacuum* of his Cholerick Braine: This he doth to a stranger of another Nation, not in the least concern'd in his affair, without any provocation from the Person he defames, or candid Apology for Traducing his Name, and that in the most Publick and Celebrated manner, publishing it in Print, and thereby exposing the Reputation of a Gentelman, wholly unknown to him, to the Obloquy of the Censorious World, and to all the disadvantages that he charges the Reverend Judicatures with, as to himself.

Whatever Mr. *Kirkwood* may think of the matter, he may assure himself the Gentleman he abuseth, is not of so Phlegmatick a Constitution, as to let such an Injury pass unresented, and must therefore expect to be called to a legal account for his procedure in that affair.

In the Second Act of his *Comme-Tragedy*, (for such on a strict perusal his Pamphlet will be found, and even such as will be his't off the stage, of Truth, Modesty and Honour) he brings in Dr. *Jaque*, Son to Mr. *William Jaque* and Mrs. *Stones* (as he calls her) for a part in that scene, he introduceth them with a lye, assuring the Auditory, that he will pass by that famous business, that fell out at Mr. *Jagues* house at *Bsggar*, but at the same time hurrys them off the stage with a huy-an-cry, as guilty of the most notorious Crimes, endeavouring at the same blow, to ruine the Reputation of Mr. *Jaque*, the Dr. and Mrs. *Stone*.

That the world may therefore be undeceived and Mr. *Kirkwood's* Malice, more plainly detected, Dr. *Jaque*, thinks it highly requisit to publish, the following plain and Faithfull account, of the whole matter, relating to Mrs. *Stone*, both for his own *Vindication*, and likewise for the Information and Satisfaction, of such who are as yet unacquainted with the Truth of the matter.

Know then that Mrs. *Stone* spoken of, in Mr. *Kirkwood's* 2d part page 38 is the only Daughter, of Mr. *Arthur Stone*, an Eminent Merchant in *London*, and a Member of the Common Council of that City, a Man of Good Report amongst all he deals with, of great Piety and Candour, and an Oppulent Man as to his Wordly condition: His Wife likewise a Woman of great Piety and Integrity, was the nearest Relation (except a Mother) to Dr. *Jagues* Wife, and therefore upon all occasions shewed great Respect and Civility to her Kinswoman, and the Dr. Mr. *Stones* Daughter, and Dr. *Jagues* Wife being bred up together, from their Infancy

cy, contracted a vety Endear'd Friendship and Love, such as continu'd, *Ad extremum Mortis*, without the least Violation, their Endearments mutual at all times, that they each did partake of the others Prosperity or Adversity. The last time Dr. Jaques Wife and he were at *London*, before they came to *Biggar*, where she died, they Lodg'd at Mr. Stones house, and then it was that Mr. Stones Daughter discovered to the Drs. Wife and him, that she was Married to one *Daniel Vanderksee* a *Dutchman*, and intimated her resolution of going a way along with him, unknown to her Father and Mother; which to prevent, the Dr. assured her he would discover it to her Parents; she very much resented the Drs. freedom; however her Fathers friendship, and her wellfair, being principally aimed at by him, he did divulge it first to her Mother, who took a convenient time, and then disclosed it to her Husband; they were both highly incens'd at their Daughters folly, and would not for some time see her, but confin'd her to her Chamber, until they should enquire into the Condition, and Circumstances of the Man, with whose person they were formerly acquainted, this they speedily did and found that he Cohabited with another Woman, who was reputed his Wife, and by whom he had several Children then living; Mr. Stone and his Wife, from hence concluded that the Covetous Mans design was only to get Money from them and to get what he could from their Daughter, some things of value (having been already conveyed to him by her) And therefore they resolv'd with the advice of Friends, not to suffer their Daughter to go to him, if possibly, they could prevent it, being well assured that it would be their Childs ruin, if they suffered her to go with him, Therefore they entreated Dr. Jaques Wife to use her endeavour to prevail with her Kinswoman to leave *London*, and to go with her and the Dr. to their house in *Yorkshire*, which being agreed to at length after much difficulty, Mr. Stones Daughter consented, and did go down into *Yorkshire* with Dr. Jaques Wife Mr. Stone allowing *Twenty pound sterling per Annum*, for his Daughters Board. It was likewise Mr. Stone and his Wifes desire, that their Daughters unfortunate Marriage should be concealed, and that she should still be called by her Maiden-Name, resolving to use their utmost effects to get the Marriage dissolv'd by a Divorce; Dr. Jaque and his Wife not foreseeing the mischiefs that ensued upon it, consented to their request. Notwithstanding the watchfulness of the Drs. Wife and his, over their Kinswoman, yet did she maintain secret Correspondence with her Husband, and several private meetings they had (as hath been since discovered) the Dr. and his Wife having promis'd to Visit their Relations at *Biggar*, took Journey for *Scotland*, and at the desire of Mr. Stone and his Wife, took their

their Daughter along, both to see Mr. Jaque and his Wife (with whom she had formerly been acquainted at *London*; and also to give her a diversion, by Travelling, being at that time somewhat indisposed thro' Melancholy under the apprehensions of her unfortunate Wedlock. Mr. *Stones* Daughter, being at *Biggar* continued her Maiden-Name, according to the desire of her Father and Mother, Dr. *Jaque* never having been taxed by any as to her Marriage, till after she brought forth her Child.

It's confess'd by Dr. *Jaque*, that he was extremely faulty and inconsiderate, and that only his promise to Mr. *Stone* and his Wife at *London*, led him into so Egregious an Act of Imprudence and folly, as not to make known her Circumstances to Mr. *Jaque* and his Wife before her delivery; He is so far from Extenuating his Crime, that he is willing to aggravate it against himself, and as a punishment hath ever since suffered the displeasure of Mr. *Jaque*, and been an Exile both from his favour and presence.

It pleas'd the Lord about six weeks after Dr. *Jaque* came to *Biggar*, to Visit his dear Wife with a Malignant Fever, (which was at that time very frequent thro' out the Country,) of which she died the Eleventh day, to the great grief and Affliction of all concern'd in her, but Especially of Dr. *Jaque* and her Kinswoman Mr. *Stones* Daughter: There were no means left unus'd for her Recovery, but all proving ineffectual Dr. *Jaque* by her death lost not only the best of Wives, but a considerable yearly income which depended on her life; And the Dr. can with boldness Challenge the whole World to say that from the first hour of his Marriage to the last period of his Wifes life, there ever appear'd the least Symptom of discord or unkindness, nay all beholders who were conversant with the Dr. and his Wife in the whole time of her Sicknes, must do Dr. *Jaque* the Justice to say, that Mutual Endearments were continued between them, without the least Diminution: One particular evidence of which was, that the afternoon before she died, being apprehensive that her Change drew nigh she called for Mr. *Jaque* her Father in Law, and his whole Family, and after she had declared to him the Assurance she had of an Interest in Christ, she desir'd that he would draw her last Will and Testament, which was to make the Dr. her Executor, and to settle all that was her's on him and her Child after his decease. The Affliction that Dr. *Jaque* was under for so great a loss was so Apparent that envy it self cannot detract from the Just Praise due to him on that account.

Mr. *Stones* Daughter was likewise under so much trouble, for the loss of so near a Kinswoman, and dear a Friend, and layd it so much to heart that it hastned in all probability her Travail before the time she reckon'd.

oned (having as she declared according to her own count six weeks longer to go] so that she was brought to bed soon after the death of Dr. Jaques Wife, it so happening that Dr. Jaque being called to *Lanerick* some time before, on some Extraordinary occasion, was there surpriz'd with the newes of Mr. Stones Daughter having brought forth a Child in Mr. Jaques house, where at he was extreamly troubled, both because of the Vexation and Disquietude it brought to Mr. Jaque and his Family: Dr. Jaque immediatly on the newes repair'd to *Biggarr*, and satisfied Mr. Jaque so far as he was able in the matter; Mr. Stones Daughter produced also her Certificate to Mr. Jaque from the Minister who Married her, but Mr. Jaque was so incens'd, both against the Dr. and Mr. Stones Daughter, for not timeously discovering her Marriage and being with Child, that he would neither patiently heare, nor yet give Credit, to what could be said for his Satisfaction.

And therefore Mr. Jaque wrot immediatly to *London*, to Mr. Stone the Gentlewomans Father, and had from himself a full account, that his Daughter was unhappily Married to his great Trouble and Greife, to one *Vanderkiffee*, together with the other Circumstances as before related; Mr. Jaque likewise wrot to Mr. Burroughs, his Son in Law [then living at *London* but now in *Kelfoe*] that he should find out this *Vanderkiffee*, and get an account of the matter from him; this Mr. Burroughs, did according to direction, and had from *Vanderkiffees* own mouth the assurance, that he was Lawfully Married to Mr. Stones Daughter, that he had both Bedded and Boarded with her, and could have access to her when he pleased, these things are evidently to be made appear by Mr. Stones and Mr. Burroughs their Letters in Answer to Mr. Jaques, which the Dr. supposeth Mr. Jaque may still have by him; and the same thing Mr. Burroughs doth now *viva Voce*, declare to all that speak to him on that subject.

Mr. Stones Daughter being brought to bed in Mr. Jaques house, staid there (tho' contrary to Mr. Jaques inclination, if he could have helped it) till she was so far recovered, as to be in a condition to Travaile: Her Father in the mean time, having an account of her condition, both from Mr. Jaque and from her self, sent her a Bill of *Ten pound Sterling*, payable at sight by Mr. *Watson* Merchant in *Edinbuegh*, to defray the necessary Charges that such a condition required. The Gentlewoman was no sooner able to stir about, but Mr. Jaque required her to be gone, and hereupon she went with her Child to *Edinbuegh*, and having receiv'd her Money, she return'd to *England*: However being but weak at the time of her departure, she took Mr. Jaques austere Carriage ill, as did her Father also
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and Mother at *London* when they came to hear of it, in that Mr. *Jaque* did not shew their Daughter, more Tenderness in the time of her necessity; so that Mr. *Jaque* hath born the reflections, both of Mr. *Stone* and his Wife for his unkindness to their Daughter, and also of his Enemies in *Scotland*, for not being more severe to her, and on the account of such like Reproaches is his anger more highly aggravated against Dr. *Jaque*.

This is the plain but true account of that Business which fell out in Mr. *Jaque*'s house in *Biggarr*, which Mr. *Kirkwood* hath endeavoured to aggravate to the Disrepute and Disgrace both of Mr. *Jaque* and the Dr. He calls it the famous Business, that deserves so severe a touch, and as he saith was accompanied with such dreadful Circumstances; but were it, as he maliciously would represent, and as he industriously endeavours to pawn it on the Faith of the World, it were a very infamous Business. Mr. *Kirkwood* hath (its confessed) a very peculiar gift of expression, but he is equally unhappy in it as he is in his Rhetorick, for an Hyperbole with him is *Inflar Omnium*; and for his Logick a man may safely adventure to deny the Conclusion, there being no relation between it and the Premises, let now the thinking, and unprejudic'd part of the World judge what reason Mr. *Kirkwood* hath to abuse either Mr. *Jaque* or the Dr. on the account of that Business, or basely to insinuate under the disguise of Common Report, that the Child brought forth in Mr. *Jaque*'s house was the Drs. had Mr. *Kirkwood* taken half the pains, to find out the truth of the matter; which he industriously hath done to Print malicious and false Calumnies he had undoubtedly been undeceived, and sav'd himself the trouble of inserting that Paragraph. But poor man! he hath now undeniably demonstrated to the World, the Craziness of his Intellectuals, and given a sufficient Testimony that he hath the Rickets in his understanding, and that Rooted Envy, not Polish'd Reason, had the Ascendant, when he by Scribbling undertook to asperse, and if possible to lessen the Authority, and Reproachfully to Ridicule the Discipline of this Antient and Renowned Church, which for it's great knowledge in Government and Experience in Discipline, is preferable to any Reform'd Church abroad, as is confest by the Learned of other Nations.

Ex Ungue Leonem, (To make Mr. *Kirkwood*'s own words militate against himself) no unbiass'd Reader, but may easily thro' his whole Pamphlet, discover the malignancy of his Spirit, and that it is not particular Persons or Judicatures, but the whole Church as now by Law Establish'd, that he Levells at, and in so doing strikes at the highest powers of the Nation, who have by their Civil Sanction restored the Presbyterian Government of the Church, and committed it to Ministers of that

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Perſwaſion; And even at the King himſelf, who Honours the Church, Judicatures with Honourable Perſons, to ſit with them as His Repreſentatives, and alſo by His moſt Reſpectful Letters, which are Extant in Print, The Honourable, Pious and Learn'd Nobility and Gentry of this Antient Kingdom, who favour the Church Judicatures, with their preſence and Aſſiſtance, as Ruling Elders, are not exempt from the ſevere and falſe Cenſures, which *Mr. Kirkwood* caſts on the whole Church, (with which, as he audaciouſly boaſts he contends) of Partiality, Injuſtice, Envy, Malice, Ignorance and Falſehood, and his Impudent Incivility advanceth to ſuch a pitch as to make the whole Church an Herd of Savage wild Boar's, Styling them the beaſts of *Ephesus*: The Prophanes Blaſphemy and Obſcenity, contain'd in *Mr. Kirkwoods* Pamphlet, is ſuch as can't paſs the Obſervation of the diligent Reader, and deſerves a ſevere Animadverſion; His Blaſphemous Parable about the Aſs; His Immodest Representation, of things which God and Nature ordain to be kept ſecret, and his Ignomious contempt of the whole Miniſtry, and *Rabſhekah* like railing againſt them, together with his Prophane and Blaſphemous drol- ling upon Scripture Phraſes, his horrid Aſſertion that he led ſome of the General Aſſembly down to Hell to Tame them, and round about the whole Conſines of Eternity, and ſuch like are all ſufficient proof both of the Corruptneſs of his Pen and Heart, it may alſo be remarkt how unworthy the Pamphleteer is of being entertained in common converſe when he is ſo baſe as in Print to Publiſh every ordinary Dialogue, that paſt between him, and thoſe that diſcourſ'd with him; and that which ſuperlatively aggravats his Impudence is, that he is ſo fooliſh, furious and Inconſiderate, as to ſhelter his monſtrous and menſtruous Brat, under the Noble wings of ſo Vertuous a Counteſs, the Modeſty of whoſe Sex, and Honour of whoſe Quality cannot but induce her to abhore, and with de- teſtation to Reſent the ſame.

Should *Mr. Kirkwood* be let paſs with ſuch Affronts without being Branded with ſome publick mark of Infamy, he would Glory in his ſhame and this Antient Kingdome and Church, which is Applauded and Ho- noured both by the Voices and Writings of the Learn'd Abroad and of Neighbour Nations, for its Antiquity and Purity, would be greatly re- flected on. It's not to be doubted but the Venerable Church, will ſuſtain their own Quarrel, and by Answering *Mr. Kirkwood's* Pamphlet, decy- pher the Authour in his proper Colours. He is indeed the Object of Pity rather than Envy, and it's to be feared that the old ſaying, *Quos Deus vult perdere, prius Dementat*, will be verified on him.

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